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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Termination of the Foreign Affairs

Executive Seminar

REFERENCE : Record of Action, BPD Meeting No. 3.

18 Sept 1975

1. This is in response to your request for background information on the reference which records the decision of the Board of Professional Development (BPD), headed by Deputy Under Secretary of State for Management Eagleburger, to end State Department participation in the Foreign Affairs Executive Seminar and to terminate the FAES.

2. This action was taken in mid-September with no STATINTL explanation, as far as CIA Faculty Representative to FAES, is aware. Apparently the issue came to the attention of the Board of Professional Development because of a letter this past summer from Howard E. Haugerud, Chairman of the FAES, to Howard Sollenberger, Dean of the Foreign Service Institute. Mr. Haugerud had called the attention of Dean Sollenberger to the high cost to the State Department for each State registrant in the course--a result of the continued low level of State enrollment. Mr. Haugerud also argued that a significant loss in the effectiveness of the FAES occurred because so few State participants were contributing, in terms of their experience and insights, to the program.

Juring this same period--July and August 1975--the Office of the Inspector General of the Foreign Service undertook its regular examination of the Foreign Service Institute; this included an inspection of the Foreign Affairs Executive Seminar. A portion of the "Inspection Report on Professional Development for Foreign Affairs: the Training Function in the Department of State" was devoted to suggested changes for the FAES.

- 4. Our current information is that the final FAES will be run from 3-21 November 1975. The registration at this point appears to be headed towards 45 or 50 participants.
- 5. Incidentally, the Chairman of the NSC Under Secretaries Committee has requested that this Agency designate someone to work with Mr. Sollenberger to explore alternative program possibilities. I have asked the Director of Training to handle this requirement.

/s/ John F. Blaka John F. Blake Deputy Director for

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